

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Pierre CHARNEAU et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 1648
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Application No.: 10/602,663	)	Examiner: L.W.Z. Humphrey
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Filed: June 25, 2003	)	Confirmation No.: 8007
	)	
For: USE OF TRIPLEX STRUCTURE DNA	)	
IN TRANSFERRING NUCLEOTIDE	)	
SEQUENCES	)	

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

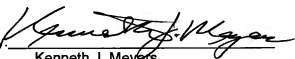
Applicant petitions for a five-month extension of time to file a reply to the Office Action mailed February 26, 2008, and subsequent to the Notice of Appeal filed May 20, 2008. A fee of \$2,350.00 is enclosed.

Please charge any additional fees required to enter the attached reply to Deposit Account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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